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## MANCHESTER MAN GUILTY IN CHILD EXPLOITATION OFFENSES

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE:** United States Attorney Tom Colantuono Kenneth W. Kaiser, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and Manchester Police Chief John Jaskolka announced that Judson Stockton, 43, of Manchester, NH appeared in United States District Court and pled guilty to manufacturing child pornography, possession of child pornography and conspiracy to travel with intent to engage in illicit sexual conduct.

The defendant was arrested in February, 2004, after an investigation by the Manchester Police Department revealed that Stockton had molested a minor child over a period of years and had allowed others to travel from other states to do so. The Federal Bureau of Investigation was contacted when it was revealed that Stockton had also produced sexually explicit photographs and videos of a minor and engaged in the trafficking of child pornography. Computers and other evidence seized from the defendant's home contained thousands of images of child pornography.

United States Attorney Colantuono stated: "Cases involving the sexual exploitation including trafficking in child pornography, are among the highest priority matters handled by the United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Hampshire." Attorney Colantuono praised the Manchester Police Department and the FBI for continuing their diligent work in bringing to justice those who would engage in such heinous victimization of children.

The defendant will be sentenced on March 23, 2005, and, if the provisions of the plea agreement are accepted, will serve 25 years in prison. This prosecution is being handled by Assistant United States Attorney Helen White Fitzgibbon.